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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, dated November 30, 2001, in the above identified matter, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks. This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks and arguments. 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and MPEP 714; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with markings to show changes made."

In the Specification:

Please substitute the current version of the paragraph starting on page 70, line 4, and ending on page 70, line 15, with the following paragraph: